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LATEST RUMOR DEP'T.

Rumor has it the Biltmore is behind the new development going in north of Joshua Tree. Bill Royall exploded rumors on its being a flying saucer base Thursday when he took a box of dynamite out to make a tea-cup of the saucer he's scooped out.

Miners Celebrate

YUCCA VALLEY—The big celebration banquet planned by the Western Mining Council in celebration of the opening of the East end of the Joshua Tree National Park for mining, promises to be a gala affair. Several important personages will be present. Lt. Governor Knight, who is a member sent regrets due to a previous engagement. J. P. Hall, publisher of the Western Mining Council Journal will be one of the principle speakers.

Preparations are being made for a dinner meeting which will be a joint affair between the Twentynine Palms Chapter of Western Mining Council and the newly created organization of Future Miners of the West. This will be held at Yucca Valley, headquarters of the Future Miners, at Community Hall on Thursday, November 2. Dinner will be served from 5 to 7 p. m. and tickets will be available at stores throughout the valley—$1.50 for adults and 75c for juniors.

The occasion is in celebration of the opening of 285,000 acres of Joshua Tree Monument land for mining entry, and also the formation of what promises to be a widespread youth movement composed of school age rockhounds and outdoor fans who like to learn the ways of prospecting, panning for gold and study the natural rock and land formations by way of field geology on location. The dinner will afford the first public presentation of this plan and all who are interested in mining and the growth of this activity for the young folks are invited.

Cat Bites Woman

YUCCA VALLEY—This is a new twist to the "Man Bites Dog" story. Only it wasn't a man, it was a woman. And it wasn't a dog, it was a cat. Only the woman didn't bite the cat the cat bit the woman. BUT the cat died! Ask Laurel Martin, she still has a sore thumb!

They Came This-a Way, Sheriff!

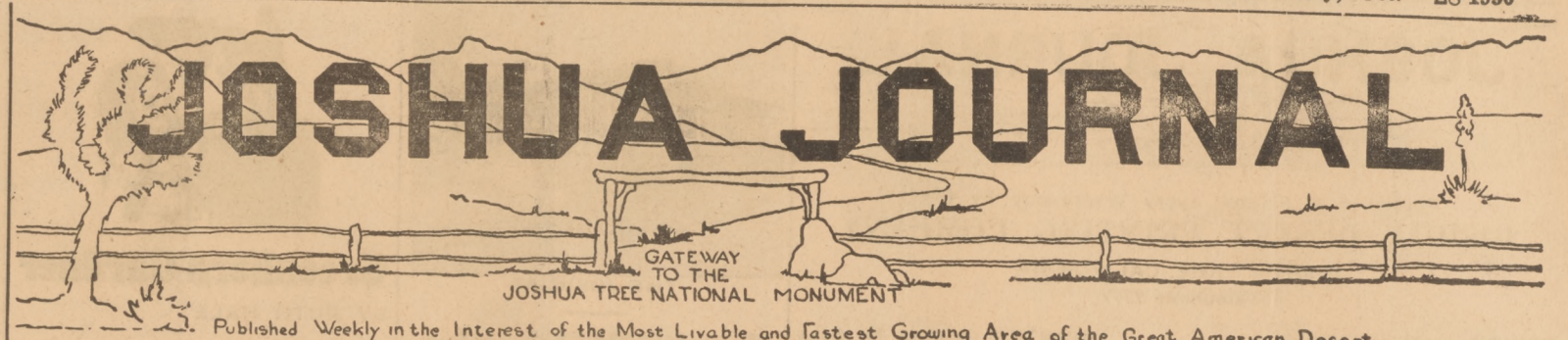
YUCCA VALLEY—The valley was ful'er of sheriffs this week than a cactus is stickers. Fust thar was Sherff Stocker 'n his boys in 'th Twentynine Palms parade last Satidy, 'an hot on his heels was part of the L. A. County Sheriff's posse, and be-gosh 'n be-golly the Redlands Sheriff's posse was part 'n parcel around here too.

Th' Redlands gang shor musta liked it sum fer they stayed almost four days at the Yucaa Corral Acres, acording to Ole and Emory Hansen who was playin' host to 'em. 'Tain't nothin' saiz Ole, wait 'l yuh see how many's comn' next time.

Gol Ding, I'm uh gittin' outa here. Too durned much law 'n order fer a independent newspaper reporter!

Hutch Sez:

"The Lord gives every one vision, but the details are not included."



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Weekly News Review of the Joshua Monument Desert Covering Morongo Valley, Pioneertown, Paradise Valley, Joshua Tree, Sunfair, Indian Cove, Yucca Valley, and Twentynine Palms.

YOUR OWN HOME TOWN

If you want to live in the kind of a town,
Like the kind of a town you like,
You needn't slip your clothes in a grip,
And start on a long, long trip
You'll only find what you left behind,
For there's nothing that's really new;
It's a knock at yourself when you knock the town;
It isn't the town—it's you!
Real towns aren't made by men afraid
Lest someone else gets ahead;
When everyone works and nobody shirks,
You can raise a town from the dead.
And if, while you make your personal stake,
Your neighbor can make one too—
Your town will be what you want it to be;
It isn't the town — it's you!

—originally from "Tell Your Neighbor" and quoted on KFI Tome Town Happenings program Sunday, Sept. 24, 1950.

(Reprinted by popular Request.—ED.)

SPOOK DANCE

YUCCA VALLEY—Shades of departed grave robbers and old "desert rats," but someone has stirred up a spooky celebration witch will brew a mess of trouble for any goblin that dares to haunt the shadowy corners of the Community Hall without his ghostly rainment when the Lions Club have their Halloween bone-rattlin' on Tuesday night, Oct. 31.

Odis Ray and his gnarled gnomes will produce their wierd music for the odd assortment of witches and demons who will gather for their wild and hypnotic dancing. And many a foul deed is being hatched by D. F. (Devil First-Class) Geil, in charge of entertainment.

Admission to the "bat cavern" will be one and one-half cat skins per couple; little devils, three-quarters of a skin.

Fun starts at 9 p. m. Prizes for the best costumes. Don't forget, Tuesday, Oct. 31.

Let's Keep the Ball Rolling

JOSHUA TREE—A recent editorial in the Los Angeles Times on Atomic Bomb and evacuation panic started the ball to rolling towards the Joshua-High-Desert and resulted in letters to the Times about this area as a possible haven. Following is another letter printed in the Times, on Tuesday, Oct. 24th. Now that we have the ball rolling let's keep it going. It's time to receive our "Three cents for prosperity club" in which residents invest three cent stamps and write to friends, or just anybody and tell them about the Joshua High-Desert. MAIL THIS COPY OF THE JOURNAL TO A FUTURE RESIDENT.

NOTICE!
THE MEMBERS OF THE JOSHUA JOURNAL STAFF WILL TAKE A VACATION ON XMAS DAY!

Quarter Horses Vie for Prizes

Yucca Valley—Valley residents will be treated to their first Quarter Horse races this weekend when quarter horses from many towns will meet at the Wild Horse Ranch in a series of "pot" races. Developer O. D. Thomas announced this week that some of the fastest horses in the state will vie for prizes.

The newly finished track set in a natural arena is the first of many recreational facilities planned for the Wild Horse Ranch. Site for the eight hundred meter, Olympic style, swimming pool has been selected and the preliminary excavation has been done. In addition there will be a golf course, trap shoot, archery range, ball grounds and several minor sport areas.

Qualifying races will be held Sunday morning prior to the barbeque lunch at 11 a.m. Eight races are scheduled for the afternoon period, with the pot being split by the rider, lucky ticket holder and the Lions Club which is sponsoring the benefit race.

Power Co. Installs Cut-Off Switch

YUCCA VALLEY—The California Electric Power installed a cut-off switch in Yucca this week which will allow maintenance men to make major repairs on the Yucca line without interrupting power to Joshua Tree and Twentynine Palms.

The installation was made during the wee sma hours Wednesday, by light of a full moon, so that the interruption would have the least interference with valley lighting. Power was cut-off for about an hour and a half.

Mr. Elmer Katzenstein, of the Twentynine Palms branch office, said the new switch would increase efficiency in making local repairs. R. B. Correll of the Palm Springs branch was in charge of the installation.

One hazard encountered in the operation was a very small vegetable garden at the base of the power pole. "We are equipped to cope with all situations, however," remarked Mr. Katzenstein.

Sand Pipers Report For Flight Training

TWENTYNINE PALMS—Apparently rumors concerning opening of the Twentynine Palms Airbase got around to some of the better equipped "fly boys," for a squadron of Sand Pipers came in last week and are putting in a lot of operational flying time.

According to Paul Nelson, employee at the Base, they spend most of their time around the officer's swimming pool and take-off under instructions from their squadron commander. All maneuvers are executed on a chirping signal from their leader. Recently a "hell-diver" almost out of fuel made a crash landing. Nelson put the exhausted flyer in the pool where he recovered after a few days rest; then he took off, but gave no destination or flight plan.

WATER IS WHERE YOU FIND IT

JOSHUA TREE—(Last August a story was printed in the Joshua Journal entitled "Water Witch Finds Hidden River"; now comes a sequal. The story was read over radio station K.F.I. on the "Home Town Newspaper" program (Sunday at 8:45 a.m.) and was brought to the attention of a prominent financier who hired the "witch", Jim Blizzard, to locate water on his property. We thought if a man would pay out good money to find water with a stick, then it was a good subject for publication. Whether or not water-witching is a scientifically based profession has been an argument for many years. We don't intend to take sides on the controversy, but here is some more material for the "experts" to wrangle over. It's a good story, and that's all we're interested in. Editor.)

HYDROLOGIST USES SCIENTIFICALLY DESIGNED "WITCHING STICK TO LOCATE UNDERGROUND WATER RESEVOIRS AND STREAMS.

YUCCA VALLEY—V. L. Cameron, of Elsinore, California, is a Hydrologist who locates water with a 'scientificaly" designed

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Joshua High-Desert Atomic Refuge

JOSHUA TREE—A recent letter in the Times by Edward Burnham (reprinted in Oct. 21st issue of the Journal) pointed out the JOSHUA High-Desert as a refuge for Los Angeles citizens in case of an atomic attack on the big metropolis. This area which is protected from the coast by the highest mountain range in Southern California is ideally situated as a protection district for refugees from the coast.

Besides its high protecting wall of mountains, the Joshua High-Desert contains several million acres of spacious land that can accomodate many people. Though it is at present sparsely settled it can accomodate several thousand more persons with its water and power facilities. Six modern communities, adequate roads and communications, and a mild year 'round climate make it an ideal spot for those who wish a safer and more comfortable place to live.

Those who live in the Joshua High-Desert already have discovered its greatest asset: CLIMATE! Smog free, cool in the summer and sun-warmed in the winter, with a very low humidity, this area has proven a health refuge to many. Atomic bomb scares to the contrary, the Joshua High-Desert is still a wonderful place in which to live.

Pioneerday Parade Packs Crowd

TWENTYNINE PALMS — A huge crowd lined the curbs from the Plaza along Adobe Road to Four Corners Saturday afternoon to watch the 13th annual Pioneer Day Parade. A galaxy of floats depicting every possible Western theme and a few additional ones kept the crowd amused for nearly an hour.

The parade, led by Sheriff Jim Stocker and his posse was a mile long affair representing all forms of Western life from dancing Indians (the Morongo Valley float) to the old-fashioned "Chic Sale." The Buckin Horse Ranch in a burro-drawn ox-cart was headin' for "Kenney's Drog Stor, or Bost!" The Coachella Valley High School band with their cute steppin' majorettes was hit of the parade (arf! it says here). Interesting reaction was warm applause for Mueller For Sheriff campaign car. Queen Barbara Swain led the official parade car with

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LET'S USE OUR HEADS

(From Industrial News Review)

Every once in a while a good sign appears in this disordered and unpredictable world. One such sign has been the cessation of the scare buying and hoarding that followed on the outbreak of the Korean war.

It is a tribute to the good sense of the American people—to say nothing of patriotic considerations—that only a few followed the disgraceful practice of hoarding. And it is also a tribute to the character of American business that, in every way possible, it discouraged scare-buying and pointed out how foolish, dangerous and unecnessary it is. Business, in other words, resisted to the best of its ability the opportunity to make a fast profit, on behalf of the long-term interests of the country and itself.

Retail stores, including both the chain systems and the independents, were especially active in this work. Through advertisements, signs, press releases, and other means of communication, they pointed out that American agriculture and industry are completely capable of meeting our demands, that our productive capacity is more ample than ever, and that if consumers would simply continue to buy on a normal basis there would be plenty for all.

Let consumers remember that—whether or not new world crises appear.

(The above editorial gives further proof that government propaganda against hoarding is mostly a "scare-crow" dressed up by the government publicity department to control our thinking and actions, and to cloak the actual truth that there is a surplus of food and most other commodities. The real facts slipped out from the Agricultural Department that increasing wages and parity control is the cause of high prices and not any scarcity resulting from the war in Korea, or any hoarding by the people. The latter just doesn't exist.

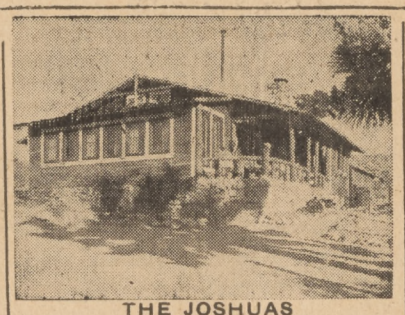
A Wednesday a. m. radio broadcast from radio station K.F.I. reports the Secretary of Agriculture as stating the Government will have to dispose of several million pounds of surplus pork this winter so that they can buy more surplus pork under parity laws. The Secretary, who incidentally is opposed to the parity law, has urged Congress to allow the people the benefit of these meat surpluses at a fair price instead of creating a market scarcity by government hoarding. According to the Secretary the people are paying high meat prices due to government hoarding and parity and in addition are being taxed to support the hoarding program.

When John Q. Taxpayer hoards he's a traitor who is causing inflation and scarcity, but the government does it to "protect" us from inflation. Who's kidding who?

In spite of the fact that three million farm workers have made a permanent exodus in the past ten years, this year's crops were the largest in history, in all commodities except cotton. Reason is that machines have replaced the hand labor. Tractors have increased twenty percent in two years. Combines, corn pickers, milking machines have increased one-hundred percent in the last five years.

Grain crops have increased one-hundred and twenty-four percent since nineteen-thirty-two when a surplus crop caused Kansas farmers to burn their wheat rather than haul it to mills for twenty-five cents a bushel. During that same period a Senate investigation committee spent one-hundred thousand dollars investigating why the price of bread remained unchanged even though wheat was two-bits a bushel, incidently. Scare buying existed on a small scale at the outbreak of the Korean War in centers of heavy population. California, who has had a thirty-three percent increase in population in the past ten years, was naturally one of the inflation areas, temporarily. Food prices may have jumped at the first news that we were at war, but only in the metropolitan areas where transportation for refilling shelves is a problem. From the outbreak of war to October first there was an actual decline of three percent in food prices over the entire nation.

This all brings us to the point of our argument, that we should put the government surpluses away in our private store rooms toward the day when we'll really need them. If we're going to feed the world we'd best be prepared to have a full stomach ourselves, instead of destroying surplus crops or giving them away while John Q. Taxpayer foots the destruction bill. The old Bibical story of the seven fat years and the seven lean years should be a lesson to our government "advisors".—M.F.)



THE JOSHUAS

Lowly Philosophy

By JUNE LeMERT PAXTON

A POEM OF JOY

Tonight I'll write the greatest poem
That I have tried to write;
Tonight I'll try to tell the world
That love and truth are might.
Tonight I'll write a vivid poem
That all the world may see
That God, alone, still holds the key
To set enslaved men free.
Tonight I'll write a poem of joy,
That even those most blind
Will see the surest way to peace
Is love for all mankind!

Letters to Editor

A letter "Refuge in Desert" by Edward Burnham of Los Angeles was far fetching should war be brought home forcefully to Southern California residents.

In the Valley of Joshua Tree National Monument Park desert is the perfect setting for rancho homes, located away from possibe nuclear disturbances.

To the initiated desert moods are as changing and voluble as the moods of the sea. Winter is not as spring, and dusk and dawn manifest infinitely variable countenances — their attitudes of peace.

MILTON C. MATTISON,
Lieutenant Commander, USN, ret.
San Pedro.

Joshua Journal:

If anyone is quite willing to spend four hours watering the shrubs at the Community Park, the rest of us should be willing to contribute towards the upkeep of the Park. Let's start a "two-bit club" to support this fine program.—A Subscriber!

(Following letter was received by Ruth Hale, our "Green-horn Gardner")

Pasadena, Oct. 20th

Dear Ruth:

. . . nice to know . . . you are going to build up and be fine . . . Boy wanted me to suggest . . . one of your meetings . . . send a subscription to some friends outside . . . of the JOSHUA JOURNAL . . . he says tell the people don't make the Editor do all the boosting, but to pitch in and help him.

We think it is a live up-and-coming little paper . . .

(Signed) Boy & Cookie

(Just when we were beginning to think that this newspaper business was a lousy profession. We don't mind the long hours so much now. Thanks, Cookie!-ED.)

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Greenhorn Gardner

BY RUTH HALE

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So many people have inquired about grasses. Though I have no lawn as yet, I plan to set out some St. Augustine shoots. This grass stays green all winter and will make a heavy turf. It must be planted from slips. The "devils grass" seems to come up without invitation and does make a good lawn but it browns in the winter. If you have a "devils grass" lawn now you might scatter some rye seed or plant a few of the St. Augustine in this lawn. The rye should grow and be green until spring and the slips should get a good start during the cool months. The rye will die out in the spring but the St. Augustine will spread and eventually take over the whole lawn. If neither of the above suggestions are to your liking, why not get a mixture of seeds and plant those? In any case the ground must be raked and freed of stones and while the seed is germinating the ground should be kept moist or if you do plant slips the same applies. A good mulch of well cured manure will help but lacking that any good commercial fertilizer will do the trick.

Even though the cool weather is just around the corner, why not plan for the summer months by starting a lawn? A lawn may be some work but it should pay dividends during the warm months as it will help to keep things cooler and more enjoyable.

Banning Theatre

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"THE BREAKING POINT"

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Harvey in HOLLYWOOD

We can't reveal our source of information, but this just might be one of those EXCLUSIVE SCOOPS! We hear n a very direct way that ROY ROGERS and REPUBLIC STUDIOS are bracing themselves for quite an argument. Roy's contract there comes to an end early next year and, if we have it right, he will not sign a renewal unless he is allowed to do television! He is so determined about it, that unless the TV clause is okayed by Republic, Roy will quite making theatre films and do nothing but radio, television and personal appearances! When this is printed elsewhere next spring, just remember HARVEY TOLD YOU FIRST!

CAROLINA COTTON, the beautiful blue eyed Honorary Sherrif of Sun Valley, has a big deal cooking for TV. She will star in a series of action pics to be made deep in the heart of Texas.

GRADUATE TIME: Pretty little GAIL DAVIS, who was GENE AUTRY'S leading woman in several of his westerns, has taken a big step upward. She's set for a top role in "Take Care Of My Little Girl" out at 20th-Century Fox! Congratulations, Gail!

REX LEASE, a silent era Western Star, gets a new lease (!) on a film career. He's set for a top role in Paramount's "Copper Canyon."

JANE NIGH is shopping for cow-gal clothes. She goes western in her next, "Rodeo" at Monogram. If this trend continues, there will be nothing but cowhands . . . IN THE MOVIES!

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Yucca Valley Notes

Mr. and Mrs. Rae Pomeroy of Long Beach are staying at the Colorado Courts. Mrs. Pomeroy is a sister of Ralph Gordon of Morongo Valey.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Mitchell from Tustin have been visiting at the Hugh Estes home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Pietschman have returned from Lo sAngeles where they attended their daughter's wedding. Eleanor Pietschman was married Fri. evening, Oct. 20 to Don Sumer at the Holywood Methodist Church. After a honeymoon at Santa Barbara, the young couple will make their home in Los Angeles where Mr. Sumer is employed.

Installation of new officers was held at the Yucca Valley Community Service Club October 11th. The following officers were installed: President-Art LeFever, 1st vce Pres.-Irene Wescott, 2nd Vice Pres.-Jane Singleton, Secretary-Jean Lowe, Treasurer-Sonny Lowe.

After the installation ceremonies, the president appointed his committe and outlined his program for services in the community for the year.

Yucca Valley Plans Talent Show

YUCCA VALLEY—The Chamber of Commerce and the Yucca Valley Women's Club are combining forces and talent for a big night Nov. 7. Betty Roadman who has toured with Charlotte Greenwood in "I Remember Mamma" will entertain with her particular talent while the Chamber of Commerce wants you to come and see "Th Lady Known As Lou" in the "Shooting of Dangerous Dan McGrew."

Betty Hutton (not in person) but you should see her facsimle. Sheila Carter and Sharon Sales as "The Harmony Honeys." Lucile Connors (a brunette), Hey, fellas! she whistles at you and more—but they won't tell us any more.

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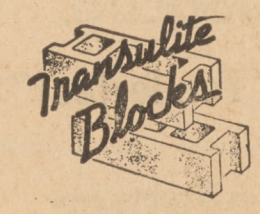

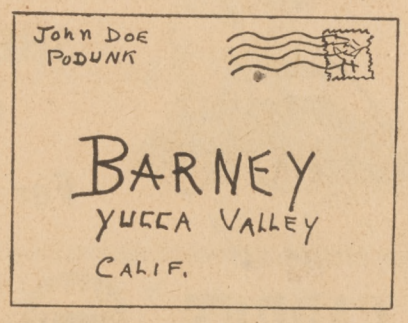

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Mueller received a big welcome in the desert communities from Victorville to Needles, where he spoke before civic associations and service clubs. He is speaking currently on the "F.B.I. in Peace and War."

The new Mueller for Sheriff Headquarters will be open daily except Sunday, and all citizens are cordially invited to visit and learn about Mueller.

The candidate will meet all citizens, and is anxious to do so.

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Pioneertown Notes

Marie and Curt Bush have had her mother, Mrs. Rose Dunbar, as a house guest this week. Also visiting the Bushes, were Nancy, Onvy and Richard Dunbar . . . Last weekend, Harold Church was in town making a TV Travelogue for the Times-Mirror. Marie Bush, Kathy Newton, Mona Eisenbruch, Jerry Broker and Carolyn Burges rode the horse-drawn autymobeel off Mane Street. Corky Kee and his horse pnulled the car for the cameras. Also performing for the movie camera were Harry Newton, Frank Garske, Mr. Broker, Jonesy and several visitors in town . . . Ruth and Nick Curtis have been visitng the Bushes ths week. They brought Buddy with them and he's been having a wonderful time.

WEATHER REPORT

PALM WELLS AGR. STATION

The following is weather report for week of Oct. 19th, which escaped publication last week. This report was taken during the HOT SPELL IN L. A., incidentally. Read and weep, you 'flatlanders"!

Fri., 13	94	73	12	10 mi.
Sat., 14	91	72	14	16 mi.
Sun., 15	88	70	13	22 mi.
Mon., 16	86	70	14	28 mi.
Tues., 17	82	68	12	29 mi.
Wed., 18	88	65	11	24 mi.
Thurs., 19	86	64	9	14 mi.
Fri. 20th	84	56	14	10
Sat. 21st	84	54	14	15
Sun. 22nd	82	56	20	5
Mon. 23rd	74	58	rain	5
Tues. 24	82	54	21	20
Wed. 25th	74	52	18	20
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The Golden Text of the Sunday Bible Lesson on "Everlasting Punishment" in all branches of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, is from Proverbs: "The way of the Lord is strength to the upright: but destruction shall be to the workers of iniquity."

The Scriptural selections include this verse from II Peter: "The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to usward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance."

In "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" Mary Baker Eddy says: "Through repentance, spiritual baptism, and regeneration, mortals put off their material beliefs and false indivdualty."

"Communists" Capture Joshua Tree

JOSHUA TREE—A mid-morning alert Thursday for the members of the Civilian Defense was sounded by director Dr. D. C. Williams as a summons to defense, but the few deputies that rallied were "overcome" by a superior "enemy" force.

After fifteen minutes of intermittent soundings on the warning horn only eight members responded. Dr. Williams announced that the next alert would be sounded in the dead of night and sleepy "minutemen" will be routed out by more alert members of the Defense Council.

NEW HORIZONS GALA ROAD OPENING

Dear Leaseholder and Friend:

You are cordially invited to attend a rendezvous and picnic at New Horizons on November 5 (Sunday). Why? To celebrate the opening and improvement of roads in Section 12!

Let's all bring picnic baskets and lunch under the beautiful Josnua Trees in our "new horizons."

Tis is a wonderful opportunity to meet neighbors and friends and then plan our desert homes together. Relax and enjoy yourself in the Land of Sunshine and Pure Air.

See you Sunday, November 5.

Most cordially yours,
William Zeitz,
Chairman
Road Committee

How Proposition No. 1 Affects Real Estate

Proponents of Propostion No. 1 on the November ballot state that the passage of their amendment would relieve the average home owner of all property taxes. This is usually less than ten percent of the total county taxes on such property.

However, it would increase the taxes on the remaining real property by at least 25 percent. This is due to the fact that the proposed amendment would also cancel all taxes on large holdings of merchandise, supplies, liquors, materials, and railroad rolling equipment, etc. It would also eliminate 55 percent of the taxes of telephone and telegraph companies, 37 percent of the gas and electric companies, and more than 27.6 percent of the railroad companies, etc.

The mandatory county budget requrements such as old age relief, indigent aid, flood control, fire and other special districts among other and all outstanding bond issues would have to be met by increased taxes on the remaining taxable real property fixed machinery and equipment. types of buildings and structures, Furthermore, the loss in revenue consisting of land, homes, all to the state and the various cities would necessitate increased sales or nuisance taxes. School districts would be forced to vote higher tax rates in order to maintain schools.

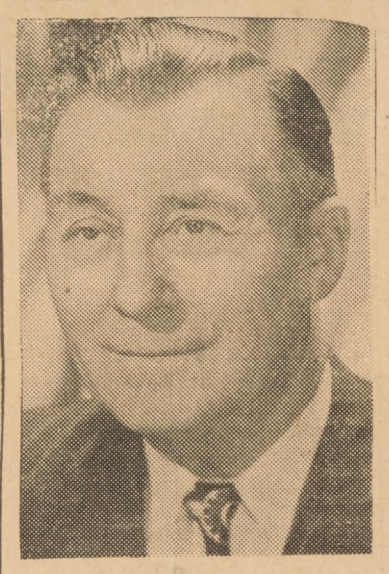
Don't be deceived. This proposal is simply an attempt to shift the just share of taxes for large personal property holdings onto the holders of real estate. Vote No on Number 1.

M. A. CRANMER,
County Assessor.

Joshua Tree Notes

Jimmy and Micky Boyle, old desert pioneers from Joshua Tree, are vacationing in Honolulu . . . Just got a letter from Elizabeth Buckly somewhere in East Africa on her world tour. Havn't deciphered it all yet, but so far very interesting . . . Dr. & Mrs. Teege visiting here this week . . . Mr. Burnham (who recently had a letter on Joshua Tree published in the Times) dropped in to say hello . . . Mr. & Mrs. Pauly, property owners here, dropped in over the weekend . . . Mr. Chas. Stokes says that balance scale on the County insignia is a miner's scale. Our pioneer founders considered it important enough for the County Seal, he says, and time it was being brought into prominence again . . . Mr. Espy of the Desert Haven dropped in for a chat (we got a secret!) . . . Meredith Willey is moving his office into the manager's quarters at the Whitehorn Ranch this week . . . Birthday party for young David Garry and the kiddies Sunday at the Le Orra . . . Good to see the Wilbergs back from their vacation to Iowa.

It's Sheppard for Security!



Defense installations dot the Twenty-first Congressional District. Here is visible proof that Congressman Harry R. Sheppard has been on the job in the past—on the job to provide his district with payrolls, on the job to keep America strong. And it has been Harry R. Sheppard who has been on the record since 1945 with warnings of the Russian Military menace.

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SHEPPARD SAYS REARMAMENT BIG PROBLEM

'This problem of rearming during a period of uneasy peace is the bigest job ever faced by the United States," declares Congressman Harry R. Sheppard, veteran Democratic representative who is seeking reelection to an eighth term in office.

One of the foremost defense experts in the nation, Congressman Sheppard is vice-chairman of the armed services appropriations committee. Snce the end of World War II he has consistently urged a strong military force for the United States, even though, as he states, he sometimes felt "like a lone voice crying in the wilderness."

Congressman Sheppard is maintaining headquarters n Room 204 at the Post Office Building in San Bernardino, phone number 849-148.

W. S. C. S. MEETING

JOSHUA TREE—The Women's Society of Christian Service will meet at the Chapel at 2 p.m., Nov. 2nd.

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Hobby Craft Classes Open at Stationers

TWENTYNINE PALMS—Bob and Elsie Cheatle will open their craft classes again at the Desert Stationers on Nov. 3rd. The first class will be in textile painting for a limited number of persons at 9:30 a.m. on Thursdays. Additional students will attend on Wednesdays. Following the textile classes will be ceramic painting. The Desert Stationers are in their new location on 29 Palms Highway West of Kenney Drugs.

Morongo Valley Notes

Mrs. Nevada Van Rennsler was called to Los Angeles to be with her daughter who is ill. She plans to return soon, bringing her daughter with her while recuperating.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Struck from Los Angeles spent Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Clay. Mr. Struck and Mr. Clay were school mates in New Jersey.

Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Campbell of Rancho Mirage visited Mr. and Mrs. Guy Shearer this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Johnson from Lomita were guests of Hattie Rumph.

Mr. Geo. E. Johnson has returned from Long Beach and Los Angeles. Mrs. Johnson, who is employed in Long Beach, vacationed last week with her husband.

A delightful birthday party was given in honor of Dave Griesbach at the Golden Stallion, Pioneertown, Sunday October 22nd. Out of town guests were: Clara and Amanda Griesbach, sisters of Dave, and Don Maranville of Alhambra. Eleven guests were seated at the table.

Mrs. William Peterson from Los Angeles will give an illustrated talk on her recent trip to Europe and the public is invited. The program begins at 8:30 p.m. We are glad to welcome Mrs. Peterson, who is a sister of Mrs. Alice Kinsley. Refreshments will be served—come and get acquainted.

Hatch Awarded Survey Contract on Section 2

William B. Hatch Jr., of 29 Palms, licensed land surveyor, has been awarded the contract for a complete legal survey of Section 2; T-1N;R-5E; S.B.M. down to 5-acre tracts. The announcement was made Monday by Colonel E. B. Moore of Joshua Tree, who has been responsible for the huge success of these government sections.

This is the second government Section of 5-acre small tracts to be complted along with New Horizon which it joins on the N. W. While the famous Pipes Canyon Wash cuts through the center of this section in a narrow ribbon, there are never the less some 80 smooth and level 5-acre tracts that have all been taken. This work will tie in with roads and other public service installations of New Horizon located on the East.

It has been determined that there is ample water in this area. This easily reached source is expected to furnish plenty of water for all 5-acre tracts in both Sections 2 and Section 12, New Horizons.

Five carloads of people from Los Angeles—22 in number—vited Colonel Moore's office on Sunday to look over Government land. Due to this unusual influx all of Section 30; T-2N-R-6E; S.B.M., where there are 128 small tracts is now sold out. Group surveying in this section is expected to start soon. Colonel Moore informs the Journal that he is in the market for two keen desert minded real estate salesmen to assist him with this government work and the increase in sales of local property.

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PIONEER DAY ....
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Shila Ryan as Queen for a Day. Most amusing was "Ten Men in Search of Harmony," comedy jazz orchestra with Alle Wrubel and Luigi Castellucci. Best remark of the day was made by five-year-old on Junior Women's float: "Wave at the people," was the request, "But I don't know anybody," was the reply.

Mr. William C. Cozneau, a member of the sheriff's posse, was chairman of the Parade. Mcee for the show was Bob McCown.

First prize for the best float went to an ancient Ford filled with kids which depicted a book called "Cheaper By The Dozen," thought the theme was hardly followed here. Second prize was carried away by the Joshua Tree Community Association float representing the Mormon Trail:

Built on an 8 x 20 platform by desert growth, with a background showing desert scenery, there was a miniature covered wagon, drawn by a pair of oxen; a Mormon handcart pulled by a man, assisted by his wife and son. The procession was led by an officer of the famous Mormon Battalion, followed by a squad of his soldiers. There were two cows, another horse, many men, women and children, numerous figures on the mountain side, with a lone grey wolf atop the mountain, in full voice.

Credit and thanks to the following citizens for their help and cooperation in building the float:

Joshua Tree Building Supply —use of truck; James Shearn and Jack Branthoover for building the models; Mrs. Laura Barringer for painting the splendid background; Mrs. Jo Branthoover for painting the animals and people; Walt Phillips for painting the Community Association signs, D. V. Smith of Sunfair for panting The Mormon Trail signs and Charlotte Van Orden who helped getting the animals together. The following assisted in assembling the float: Harold Sherborne, Charles Krause, Walt Philips, Stanley Van Orden and Clarence Woods. The truck was driven by Mr. Woods, the music was furnished by Ben Fitzpatrick of Smoke Tree. The description folder was written by Jack Branthoover and arranged by Helen Gerhard.

Sunfair Notes

Here we are back again after three ofthe most hectic weeks ever spent by this reporter. We had no time to collect news and no one around Sunfair had little time for sleep, let alone pass along news . . . Between the Turkey Show and shipping turkeys most every night, people are bushed . . . Seems like everyone was celebrating a birthday around here this week: Marie Bishop, Betty Dutton and Freddy. Betty incidentally has acquired a five mos. old baby, name of "Heinz 57". Yup it's a dog! . . . Mrs. Alice Fahey, sister to MacDonald has returned to Oakland for a visit . . . Mac has moved to Sunfair . . . Eight new ranches are getting ready for next growing season . . . Recent drop in turkey prices was caused partly by Government dumping of surplus turkeys on market. Price is expected to go back up by the holidays; local growers won't be affected much . . . Made plans at the Assn. meet last Wednesday for the new Chamber of Commerce . . . Duttons, Weygolds, Fetherstons shipped turkeys this last weeks . . . Is it true that the Briggs served tea in the brooder house when they shipped their turkeys? Awww, you're kiddin'! . . . The growers are organizing a bowling team to play at the Bowladium leagues: Forest Summers, Dick Summers, Geo. Minter, Don Xiques, Rod Wetmore (sound-off! who's the sixth man?).

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WATER IS WHERE ....

"witching stick". Mr. Cameron who has been in the business of "water witching" for more than twenty-six years has made a thorough study of the factors involved in witching and expounds the theory that magnetic impulses (produced by the body) of a positive nature can be harnessed to locate water. "These impulses travel in the wave band somewhere between the speed of x-rays and gamma days", explained Mr. Cameron. "They strike a body of water and reflect back much in the same way that radar does". There's nothing mysterious about it, it's really quite simple", he continued.

The "witching stick" that Mr. Cameron uses is one that he designed. It is made of plated brass with a handle shaped like a table knife. The "business end" is a spiral spring ending in a bob which is attracted towards the underground source of water by magnetic impulses when the Hydrologist walks across the searching area with the instrument in his hand.

That M r.Cameron's method is successful is attested to by press clippings and photostatic copies of checks from various Chambers of Commerce, the Forestry Department, the U. S. Quartermaster and many individuals in payment for services. Mr. Cameron modestly claims his method to be the most accurate in the world.

"Two-thirds of the earth's surface water is from under-ground sources", maintains Mr. Cameron, "and one of the main origins is condensed steam from underground volcanos". Mr. Cameron is also able to locate many of these.

At present Mr. Cameron is locating water in New Mexico. He recently made locations for Mr. Sturdevant of Joshua Tree and expects to do further locating in this area.

SUMMERS SELL RANCH-MARKET & CANTINA

SUNFAIR—Forrest and Alma Summers sold the Ranch Market and Cantina last week to Geo. and Edith Minter of San Francisco. The Minters, who are son and daughter-in-law of Mrs. Lucien Bishop, took over this week and are open for business.

Opening hours haven't been decided upon, but it is tentatively decided that they will open about eight a.m. and close after dinner in the evening, or when-ever the crowd goes home. Mrs. Bishop will be in charge of the kitchen and will serve full course meals.

The summers plan to devote full time to turkey growing.

Duval Begins New Construction

Perhaps the largest home to be constructed in the valley so far was begun this week by the Duval Construction Co. The new home is being built in Paradise Valley Acres for Rev. Eda Roberts of Los Angeles. The main house will contain three thousand square feet under one roof and will have in addition a combination garage and apartment comprised of fifteen hundred square feet.

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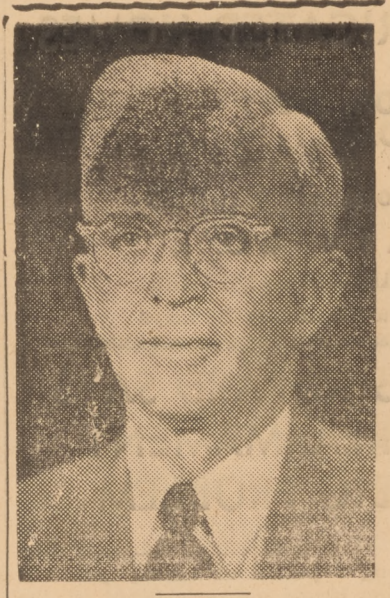
Marie Mets, mother of Sophie Duval, is visiting from Chicago and plans an indefinite stay.



In the primary election, Mr. Findlay not only led the field but obtained a clear majority in every precinct in 29 Palms Township, as well as in Joshua Tree, in both of which communities he has many supporters. Many of the older residents in this area first became acquainted with him through his work as secretary of the Riverside Presbytery at the time of the location and building of the Community Church on Adobe Road in 29 Palms. He formerly had property interests in the Joshua Tree area and had need to come to this part of the county on many occasions. He has also represented many clients from this area during the 25 years he has been practising law in this county.

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(We are not responsible for lost articles, news items, or copy in error after 12 midnight on Friday.—The Staff)

Tommy Frye Jr. to Red Cross Convention

SUNFAIR—Tommy Frye Jr., who was selected from the valley to represent the 29 Palms chapter of the Red Cross at Camp Seeley last summer was recently appointed to board of directors of the 29 Palms chapter. Tommy is perhaps the youngest member of any Red Cross board of directors.

Tommy left Friday to attend the Southern California convention of the American Red Cross which convenes in Whittier this week-end.

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